Farm Labor: Employment and Wage Rates, U.S.¹ and Corn Belt II² April 10-16, 2005, with Comparisons

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| | April 11-17, 2004 | | January 9-15, 2005 | | April 10-16, 2005 | |
| Farm Employment | Corn Belt II | U.S. | Corn Belt II | U.S.* | Corn Belt II | U.S. |
| | Thousands | | | | | |
| Hired Workers | | | | | | |
| Expected to be Employed | 28 | 827 | 21 | 589 | 27 | 746 |
| 150 Days or More | 22 | 651 | 18 | 494 | 20 | 596 |
| 149 Days or Less | 6 | 176 | 3 | 95 | 7 | 150 |
| Agricultural Services | | | | | | |
| Workers Working on Farms | NA | 257 | NA | 185 | NA | 232 |
| Hired Farm & Service Workers | NA | 1,084 | NA | 774 | NA | 978 |
| | Hours per Week | | | | | |
| Hours Worked | | | | | | |
| Hired | 33.7 | 40.6 | 35.1 | 37.0 | 34.2 | 39.8 |
| | Dollars per Hour | | | | | |
| Wage Rates for | | | | | | |
| All Hired Workers 3,4 | 9.48 | 9.23 | 10.63 | 9.78 | 9.38 | 9.34 |
| Type of Worker | | | | | | |
| Field & Livestock Combined | 9.04 | 8.59 | 10.07 | 8.90 | 9.06 | 8.73 |
| Field | 9.04 | 8.47 | 9.16 | 8.71 | 8.85 | 8.55 |
| Livestock | 9.03 | 8.95 | 10.28 | 9.20 | 9.27 | 9.23 |

^{*}Revised. ¹ Excludes Alaska. ² Consists of Iowa and Missouri. ³ Benefits, such as housing and meals, are provided some workers but the values are not included in the wage rates. ⁴ Excludes Agricultural Service Workers.

NOTE: Self-employed and unpaid worker numbers, wage rates for supervisory, other type of workers, hourly, piece rate, and other methods of pay were discontinued.